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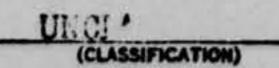
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(1)	The Object was cylindrical in shape with the diamet r approinately twelve (12) times the depth. The Object appeared to be slightly thicker in the center and around the edges, however observer thought this may have been caused by the darker color at these positions.
(2)	(1/16") to one thirty second (1/32") in depth.
(3)	the orange tint appreared similar to a reflection of sunling to The edges and the center of the object were dirker.
(4)	One.
(5)	11/A.
(6)	The only discernible fortures were those discribed in (1), (2) and (3) above.
(7)	None observed.
(8)	No sound was heard.
(9)	None.
B. Desc	ription of Course of Cbject:
(1)	Visual sighting of object traveling at a high rate of speed.
(2)	From the observation point at 40 h the object was at 30 degracs elevation and heading in a northern heading.
(3)	From the observation point at 52 M the object was at 60 degree elevation and on a northwest heading.
	Pilot was on a one hundred eighty degree (180°) heading when he first observed object tracking north at terrific speed. Upon first sighting the object, observer assumed it as another aircraft, however upon a closer observation he conserved flatness of the object and a slight up and down oscillation (Similar to an aircraft wagglings its wings). Due to reciprocal heading pilot thought object wasn't moving over each 2, or he wouldn't have had time to observe the oscillation of the object. The pilot made a left hand turn to keep object in sight. The Object continued northward) passing to the east of the observer and went almost out of sight; It then a peared to climb, slowdown and do a large left hand three hundred sixty degree (360°) orbit, descending and closing in toward the pil t. The Object them made four (4) or five (5) smaller orbits around the observer. The observer climbed to fifty two thousand (52,000) feet and attempted to keep object in sight by a left turn. During the observer's prolonged turn the object circled the aircraft three (3) times, however at this point the F-102 aircraft, due to loss of speed in climb from forty (40) thousand tofifty-two (52) thousand feet was traveling at a very slow

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rate of speed. During the smaller orbits the object was at an elevation of approximately fifteen (15) degrees; It was during this time that the dark center of the object was distinguishable and the banking attitude of the object was observed.

- (5) The Object proceeded on a northwest heading, increasin; its climb to 45 degrees; picking up speed and disappearing in about three (3) to four (4) seconds at a point of pproximately sixty (60) degrees elevation.
- (6) Four (4) Minutes. 4
- C. Manner of Observation:
  - (1) Air visual.
  - (2) No optical mids were utilized.
  - (3) Aircraft F-102, identification number 1425, altitude 40 L to 50 M, heading of 1800, speed of .9 mach, home station: McChord AF3, mash.
- D. Time and date of sighting:
  - (1) 1817Z 9 June 1958.

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- (2) Day (Clear).
- E. Location of Observer: NC 4320.
- F. Indentifing Information of Observer:
  - (1) N/A.
  - Individual a peared to be intelligent, capable, not easily excited and very reliable.
- 6. Weathers and Winds-Alort Conditions at time and Place of Sighting:
  - (1) Pilot was on top at 40 M with VFR conditions.
  - (2) Wind report of nearest ANS or Weather Bureaus

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- (3) 1.
- (4) Unlimited.
- H. Sea Weather released a ballon at 09/18002. The height of the ballon was estimated at 40000 feet at the time of the sighting with a possible location over Lower Puget sound.
- I. The Interceptor climbed at maximum power to 52 M, maintaining visual signting on the object.
- J. At the time of the sighting Limina as on an intercept mission with another F-102, which was on a southwest heading fifteen (15) to twenty (20) miles in front of Limina and heading away from the object sighted. A target aircraft was approximately forty (40) to fifty (50) miles southwest of sighting and heading in a northerly direction. Both of these pilots were notified by Lt Scharf of the sighting aut neither pilot observed anything.
- K. It Scharf has had four (4) years flying experience and is accustom to various types of reflections. It is his opinion that the object was of definite composition and intelligenly guided.

I can add no additional information to validate of invalidate Lt oc r's onservation.

The Portland GOC AD Filter Center had no UFC reports from seven (7, through thirteen (13) june 1958. The 758th AC&W Controller in charge of it scharf during his flight was util zing ITF Ecuipment for tracking and did not observe if any additional objects appeared on the radar scope. Jurin his visual contact with the object Lt Scharf did not observe if the object was on his radar scope.

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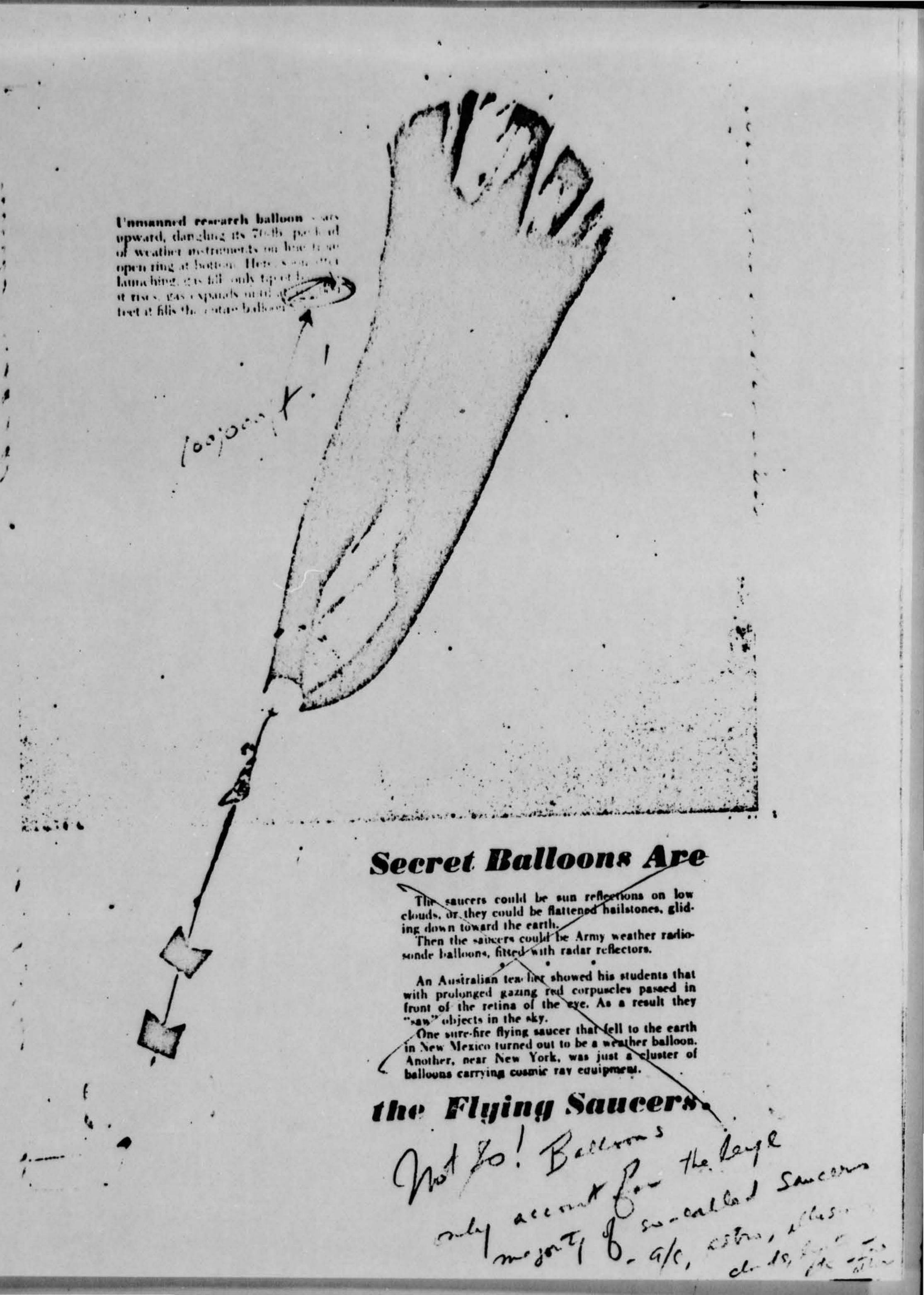
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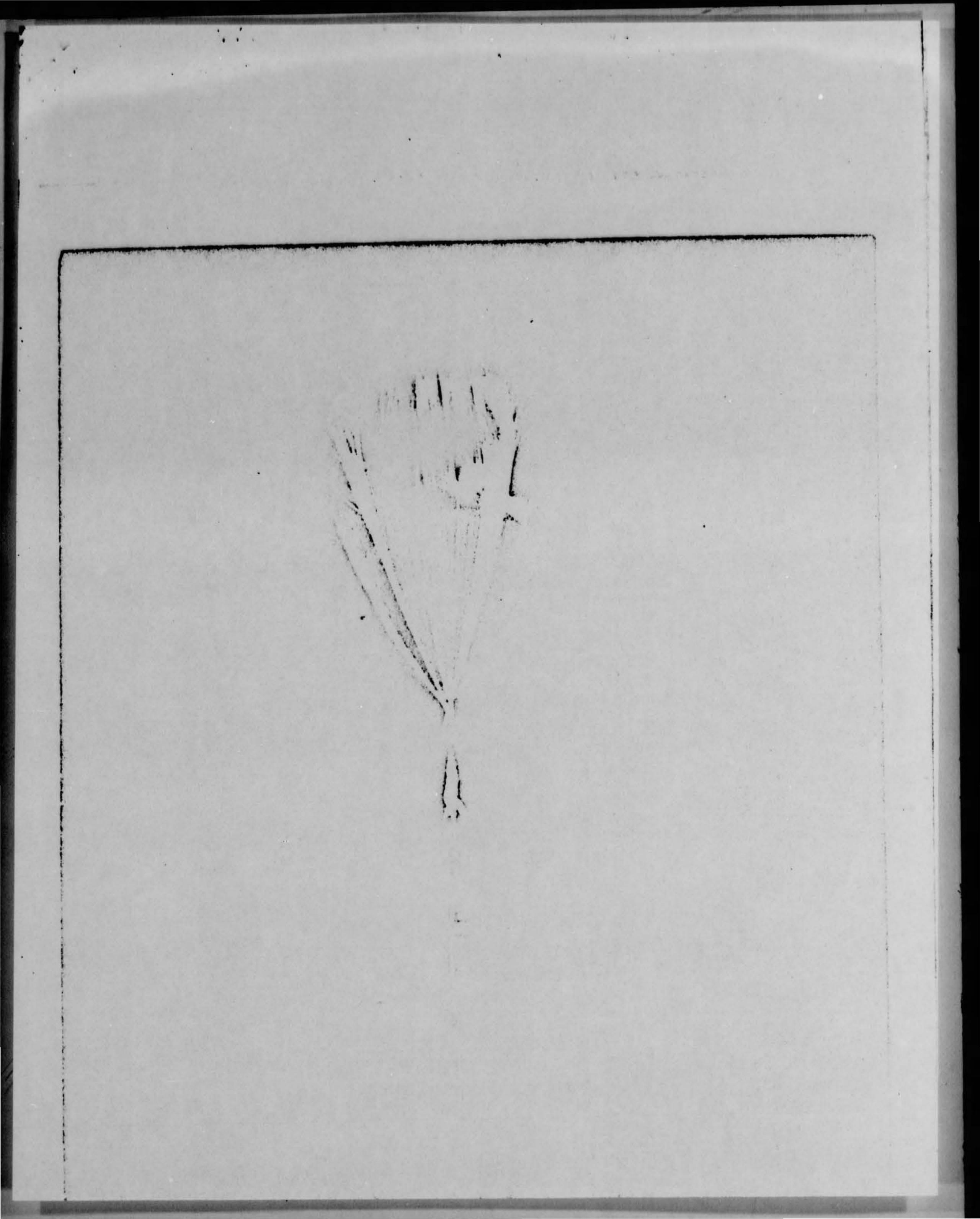
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5. NC 4320

6. A. N/A

B. 1 ST LT, USAF

318TH FIS (INTERCEPTOR PILOT)

7. A. ON TOP VFR AT 40 MI

SURFACE 210/12

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B. 60- 220/09

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8. SEA WEATHER RELEASED BALLOON AT Ø9/18ØØZ EST. HEIGHT OF
BALLOON 40,000 AT TIME OF INCIDENT AND POSSIBLE LOCATION OVER

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10. INTERCEPTOR CLIMBED AT MAXIMUM POWER TO 52 MI MAINTAINING

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(5) Many reports of pilots trying to keep small, moving objects centered while they attempt to manuever around them on file - which results with the illusion or appearance that the object was moving around the aircraft - instead of vice versa. This invariably happens at very high altitudes where there is no horizon, deturn or perspective points. Many reports show that pilot stating that the object (balloon) was closing on on the aircraft, when actually the balloon was standing still. This could possibly account for pilot's statement object circled around him. Correlating this with his apparent, somewhat doubtful reliability in judging or estimating size and distances (shown here) - this honest mistake or belief on his part is understandable.

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

(6) Check with U.S. Aero Chart #269, discloses that pilot was just South of controlled AIRWAY (AMBER) No. 1 - Running SE and NW, which carries considerable traffic. Although the flight of the object pilot observed closely parallels this traffic airway heading - which would indicate the object was an aircraft - the characteristics, description, flight pattern rule out aircraft, but strongly point out balloons.

On the basis of data given, analysis of the pilots information and his personal reliability check, there is no compelling reason to conclude that the object observed was not probably a balloon.

analysts personal comments:

Check: Same old story that pilots are "irrefuteable observers; although better than most, pilots still subject to all the opinions, mistakes, illusions all other observers are \_\_heir\_\_\_to.

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Analyst: George T. Gregory Capt., USAF

JFOB REPORT # 9-J-58

DATE OF INCIDENT: \9 June 1958

1817Z (1017 A.M. Local) LOCATION OF INCIDENT: NC-4320 (Position approx. midway TIME: between Tacoma and Seattle, Washington

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: Pilot of F-102 aircraft, while between 40,000 to 50,000 ft. alt. at Mach. 9 (600+ MPH) observed a pinkish-white object, cylindrical in shape, whose diameter was approximately 12 times its depth (Comment: believe Source meant length). Pilot was going South (180°), when he observed object moving due North which appeared to oscillate as it moved. Pilot made a left turn. Object continued North. Then it appeared to (Note:) climb, slowdown, then do a left turn. Pilot claims the object then circled his aircraft three times before he descended to lower levels.

It is significant to point out (as a routine "source reliability" check or clue), that pilot gave figures of 3/4 in. (diameter), 1/16 in. to 1/32 in. for depth in estimates. Almost indredible that measurements like this could be given while flying at 600 MPH+. Hairbreadth measurements of this nature require precision rulers, calipers or instruments.

#### INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS:

(1) Wind plots for area show winds from SE to NW for 40,000 ft. (consistent with flight path of object at estimated 40,000 feet).

Wind plots for area show winds from West to NE for 50,000 ft alt and above (consistent with pilots statement object made large turn at these estimated altitudes).

(3) Balloon was released about 20 minutes before sighting, and officially reported to have reached at least 40,000 by U.S. N. Wx Svs. in that area.

(4) Other pilits, radar units, others in area did not see anything unusual. Pilot states he did not make an effort to check if object was on his radar PHYSICAL EVIDENCE: scope (?)

NONE

#### FINAL ATIC EVALUATION: PROBABLY BALLOON:

Balloon released 20 minutes before sighting and up in that area.

Up to est. 40,000 feet object on N-NW track. Wind was blowing in that direction. At est. 50,000 wind shifted, blowing from W-SW up to N-NE (as shown by official check). This would account for change of direction at that altitude (Object therefore was moving with wind, generally).

Pilot states object oscillated, slowed down, climbed, turned: these are

well-known, proven balloon characteristics.

A word on pilots probable reliability (reporting officer did not evaluate): note estimated measurements given in para. A.2 of report. Most observers from fixed positions on ground cannot estimate within one or two inches.

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